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TAGS: MNUC, PK, FR
SUBJECT: PAKISTAN REPROCESSING PLANT

REF: STATE 189634 (PARIS 23274)

1. REFTEL NOTES FRENCH UNDERSTAND THAT PAKS HAVE HAD A BELGIAN LAB-SCALE REPROCESSING FACILITY FOR TWO YEARS. THERE HAVE BEEN INTERMITTENT RUMORS IN ISLAMABAD DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY OVER PAST TWO YEARS THAT SOME TYPE OF LABORATORY REPROCESSING FACILITY OR "HOT CELL LAB" EXISTS AT PINSTECH. IT IS VARIOUSLY DESCRIBED AS EITHER A BELGIAN OR A BRITISH FACILITY. (THE BRITISH EMBASSY FORMERLY HAS TOLD US IT COULD NOT SUBSTANTIATE THE RUMOR.)

2. WE WOULD APPRECIATE FOR OUR OWN BACKGROUND WASHINGTON'S ASSESSMENT ON WHETHER SUCH A FACILITY EXISTS AND, IF IT DOES, ITS PLUTONIUM PRODUCING CAPABILITY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT SUCH LAB FACILITIES COULD PRODUCE, EVEN UNDER OPTIMUM CONDITIONS, ONLY VERY SMALL AMOUNT OF PURE PLUTONIUM.
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